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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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DETAILED ACTION

1. This communication is in response to Applicant's amendments filed on August 4, 2006.

Response to Applicant's Amendment

2. The reply filed on August 4, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

Examiner Kyle requested from Applicant under 37 CFR 1.105 to provide "additional evidence" referred to in the parties' July 8, 2005 Joint Motion to Dismiss, and indicated that the response to the requirement should be specifically identified as a response to that requirement. However, it is not clear whether the response addresses the 1.105 concerns. Appropriate response is respectfully requested.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a time period of **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. Extensions of this time period may be granted under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

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3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hani Kazimi whose telephone number is (571) 272-6745. The examiner can normally be reached Monday-Friday from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Alexander Kalinowski can be reached on (571) 272-6771. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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